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**Subject: Sleepy Heroin Dealer Busted in Henderson Center**

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On 2/24/13, at about 4:19 PM, officers with the Eureka Police Department (EPD) were dispatched to the 2800 block of 'F' Street on the report of a suspicious male in a vehicle. A witness reported a male subject had been sitting inside a parked vehicle for the past half hour. The male was reported to be "making strange movements" and he appeared to be falling asleep or passing out. Per the witness, a roll of cash was also visible in his lap.

An officer arrived on scene a short time later and approached the male, who was seated in the driver's seat of a 4-door Nissan Maxima parked on the street in front of a business. The officer observed that the male, later identified as Canyon Hodge (no middle name), was slumped over and appeared to be asleep. The officer also saw what appeared to be a large baggy of tar heroin in Hodge's lap and a big roll of cash next to him on the passenger seat. The officer recognized Hodge and knew he had a felony warrant for his arrest.

The officer roused Hodge with some difficulty and took him into custody on his warrant. During a subsequent search of Hodge and his vehicle, the officer located approximately 43 grams of tar heroin (1 ½ ounces), 3 1/2 grams of crystal methamphetamine (1/8<sup>th</sup> ounce), a small quantity of processed marijuana, a digital gram scale, written records indicating recent heroin sales activity, \$3,042.00 cash, and drug use paraphernalia (hence



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“Mr. Sleepy,” who appeared to be heavily under the influence of heroin and nodding off due to his partaking liberally of his own product).

The cash was seized as suspected illicit drug sales proceeds to be turned over to the Humboldt County Drug Task Force for future asset forfeiture proceedings.

In addition to his warrant (alleging possession of a controlled substance), Hodge was arrested for possession and transportation of a controlled substance for sale, possession of drug paraphernalia, and parole violation. He was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional facility for booking. Hodge’s vehicle was also towed from the scene.

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CANYON HODGE



